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The citation of information on the attached Form PTO-1449, "List of Art Cited by Applicant" is made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98. A copy of each cited item is enclosed. Because these references are being submitted before the first Official Action, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider them.

The cited references include:

Document AA: Wilf et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,899,980, May 4, 1999

Document AB: Rosen, U.S. Patent No. 5,745,886, April 28, 1998

Document AP: "Billpoint Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at http://www.billpoint.com.

Document AR: "I-Escrow Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at http://www.iescrow.com.

Document AS: "PayMyBills.com Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at

http://www.paymybills.com.

Document AT: "PayPal Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at http://www.paypal.com.

Document BP: "PayMe.com Web Site," found on the World Wide http://www.payme.com.

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Document BR: "MoneyMail Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at http://www.moneymail.com.

Document BS: "eCount Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at http://www.ecount.com.

Document BT: "Tradesafe.com Web Site," found on the World Wide Web at

http://www.tradesafe.com.

On July 23, 2000, the undersigned attorney reviewed the above-listed Web sites and printed selections of relevant pages from these Web sites. The selections of relevant pages from these Web sites are labeled as Documents AP, AR, AS, AT, BP, BR, BS, and BT.

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